THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATON AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) During the last one year *i.e.*, from August, 1986 todate, there have been three accidents involving Indian Airlines aircraft. In the corresponding period for the preceeding two years there had been two accidents each year involving Indian Airlines aircraft. An increase of one accident in one year is not considered a trend.

(c) There has been no accident to any Indian Airlines aircraft during the last six months.

Taj Mahal turning yelow

*58. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the details of the proposals under the consideration of Government to prevent the white marble of the Taj Mahal from turning yellow?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): Discolouration of the marble takes place due to weathering, deposit of superficial dirt and particles on surface, oxidation of certain minerals in natural composition of marble and stains of oil and grease left by visitors. As decided by the High Power Expert Committee national scientific institutions and laboratories as well as Unesco experts have been associated in the constant monitoring, advice and implementation and taking measures such as chemical, claypack or attapulgite for treatment and removal of accretions. Regular monitoring of environmental pollutants and control measures such as afforestation and restrictions on smoke emitting industries have also been undertaken.

Integrated Development of Pradeep Port in Orissa

*59. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have accepted the proposal of M|s. Hyundai Corporation of South Korea amounting to Rs. 530 crores for the integrated develpment of Paradeep Port in Orissa;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether any condition has been imposed by South Korea under the said proposal; and

(d) if so, what is the reaction of the Government in regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) Messrs Hyundai Corporation has offered to Minerals & Metals Trading Corporation of India a loan for improving iron ore export facilities at Paradip Port. The cost of these facilities estimated in 1985 is Rs. 228 crores. Government have decided to entrust to the Hyundai Corporation and preparation of a Detailed Project Report.

(c) and (d) The Government of the Republic of Korea have not imposed any condition on the proposal of Messers Hyandai Corporation. They have, however, suggested that India may place orders for ships on South Korean Shipyards. The present policy is to place orders for ships after following the tendering procedure.

India's performance in sports

*60. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that India has not been able to keep pace with the rest of the world in the field of games and sports and our overall performance has registered a steep decline in hockey, football, athletics etc;

(b) whether it is a fact that one of the main reasons for this unfortunate decline is the lack of play grounds and other facilities in schools and other educational institutions;

(c) whether Government have prepared a comprehensive plan to provide these facilities in all the existing schools so that the younger generation takes to games and sports in a big way; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and if not, whether Government propose to prepare such a plan now?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) to (d) Government are aware that India has not been able to keep pace with some other nations in performance in games and sports but it is not correct to say that there has been a steep decline in performance in all games and sports. In some disciplines, national records have been improving over the years which is indicative of general improvement in performance; in some we have been able to improve our performance in the international arena as well.

It is agreed that one of the reasons for this is lack of infrastructure including playgrounds in schools and educational institution. According to available informations about 10,000 Secondary Schools do not have facilities of a playground. For development of playfields as such Government of India has a Scheme under which financial assistance to the extent of 50 per cent of approved expenditure or Rs. 50,000/- whichever is less (75 per cent or Rs. 75,000/- for hilly areas) is provided. Government has also formulated recently a Scheme for giving assistance worth Rs. 1.00 lakh to at least one school in each Block for development of athletic track, purchase of equipment like hurdles, goal posts, etc., and for construction of a small gymnasium. The Action Programme to implement the New Education Policy outlines several steps to be taken for development of sports infrastructure in schools and educational institutions. Government has also introduced a scheme of giving prize money of Rs. 10,000/- for each discipline to the school winning in a district level competition conducted in certain disciplines.

Extension of Vayudoot service to Belonia in Tripura

315. SHRI NARAYAN KAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to extend the Vayudoot service to Belonia a sub-divisional town in Tripura;

(b) if so, when this Vayudoot service is likely to take effect; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in negative what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Constraint of aircraft capacity and absence of an operational airfield at Belonia do not permit inclusion of this station in the immediate expansion programme of Vayudoot.

गुजरात में केन्द्रीय विद्यालय

316. **श्री मीर्जा इर्शादबेग** : क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री 22 अप्रैल, 1987 को राज्य सभा में तारांकित प्रश्न 525 के दिए गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) केन्द्रीय विद्याल स्थापित किये जाने हेतु गुजरात मेंय किन-किन जिलों का चयन किया गया है और इस प्रयोजन के लिए साबरकांठा जिले में किस स्थान को चुना गया है ;

(ख) इन विद्यालयों की स्थापना के कार्य में क्या प्रगति हुई है; और

(ग) इसे कब तक पूरा कर दिये जाने की संभावना है ?